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Public Service Commission of South Carolina

Attn: Docketing Department P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia SC 29211

Re: Docket NO: 2004-357-WS

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COMMISSION

We are property owners in the Lands End (Watergate) Community to be affected by the rate increase proposed by Carolina Water. We don't understand how this could be justified. If the excuse is to cover expenses for improvement, our neighborhood has been totally left out of the improvement. There is a pumping station in Lands End property that has continuous problems, if there is not some type of leak, there is an awful odor emitting from there. DHEC has been notified. They say CWS has been cited but we still continue to suffer. Some days the odor is so bad we can't bear to be outside. We live in a beautiful area to have this "thing" ruin it is unbelievable. We have been asked to notify CWS and DHEC of the odors, we should not have to do this.

How can only 3 or 4 communities be affected by this increase? When we first came to Lands End, we paid \$50-\$60 every 2 months. Now we pay \$60 every month! We believe that this rate increase is unreasonable based on the history we have had with this company.

We hope you will take into consideration all this information to deny CWS' request.

Thank You, Beth and Fred McCurdy 18 Indian Creek Trial Lexington SC 29072